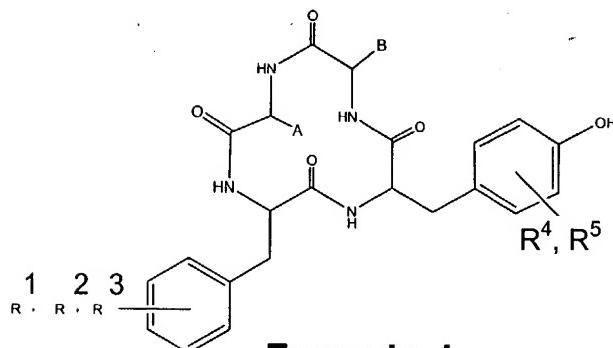


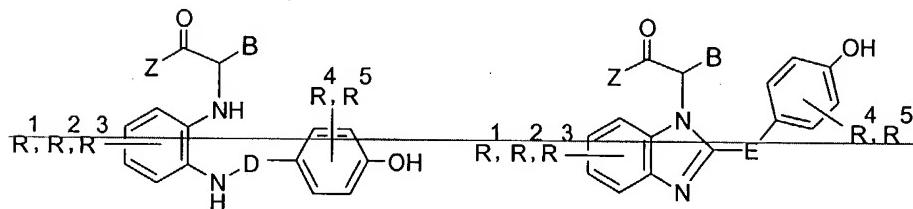
IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the abstract as follows:

The invention relates to new basic amino acid derivatives of general formulae I, II and III, formula I and the preparation and use thereof in treatment of pain. The compounds have histogramin-like antinociceptive, morphine potentiating and COX-2 induction modulating activities.



Formula I



Formula II

Formula III

wherein:

A is -hydrogen, -(C₁-C₈)alkyl or -(C₁-C₈)alkyl substituted by hydroxy;

B is -(C₁-C₆)alkylguanidino, -(C₁-C₆)alkyl(4-imidazo- lyl), -(C₁-C₆)alkylamino, p-aminophenylalkyl(C₁-C₆)--- , p-guanidinophenylalkyl(C₁-C₆)-- or 4-pyridinylalkyl(C₁-C₆)--;

D is -(C=O)--, -(C=O)-(C₁-C₆)alkylene or -(C₁-C₆)alkylene;

E is a single bond or -(C₁-C₆)alkylene;

Z is --NH.sub.2, --NH--(C₁-C₆)alkylcarboxamide, --NH--(C₁-C₆)alkyl, --NH--(N-benzyl), --NH-cyclo(C₅-C₇)alkyl, --NH-2-(1-piperidyl)ethyl, --NH-2-(1-pyrrolidyl)ethyl, --NH-2-(1-pyridyl)ethyl, --NH-2-(morpholino)ethyl, -morpholino, -piperidyl, --OH, --(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, --O-benzyl or --O-halobenzyl;

R¹, R² and R³ are, independent of one another, -hydrogen, -arylcarbonylamino, --(C₁-C₆)alkoylamino, --(C₁-C₆)alkylamino, --(C₁-C₆)alkyloxy, --(C₁-C₆)alkylaminocarbonyl, -carboxy, --OH, -benzoyl, -p-halogenobenzoyl, -methyl, --S-(2,4-dinitrophenyl), --S-(3-nitro-2-pyridinesulfenyl), -sulfonyl, -trifluoromethyl, --(C₁-C₆)alkylaminocarbonylamino, -halo or -amino;

R⁴ and R⁵ are, independent of one another, -hydrogen, --(C₁-C₆)alkyl, -methyloxy, -nitro, -amino, -arylcarbonylamino, --(C₁-C₆)alkoylamino, --(C₁-C₆)alkylamino, -halo or --OH.